

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON  
AT TACOMA

STEVEN R. BELITZ,  
Petitioner,

v.

STATE OF WASHINGTON,  
Respondent.

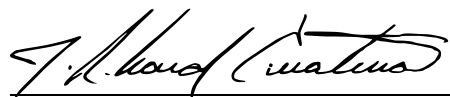
Case No. C10-5130RBL/JRC

ORDER GRANTING  
PETITIONER'S REQUEST  
FOR AN EXTENSION OF  
TIME TO FILE A  
TAVERSE

The underlying petition for a writ of habeas corpus has been referred to United States Magistrate Judge J. Richard Creatura pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1)(A) and (B), and Local Magistrate Judge's Rule MJR3 and MJR4. Petitioner is seeking federal habeas relief, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2254.

Before the court is Petitioner's motion for an extension of to file a traverse (ECF No. 16). Respondent does not oppose the motion (ECF No. 18). The motion is GRANTED. A traverse must be filed on or before **January 7, 2011**. The clerk's office is directed to mail a copy of this order to petitioner, remove ECF No. 17 from the Court's calendar and note that the date for consideration of the underlying petition will be **January 7, 2011**.

Dated this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of November, 2010.



J. Richard Creatura  
United States Magistrate Judge